

# INDIAN SCHOOL SALALA ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020 NEWSLETTER VOLUME V

Education is the key to emancipation and it can empower man to accomplish everything in life. Education is the nectar which turns man into a good human being and if man continues to drink it then anyone can metamorphose into a demigod. Education is the spark that ignites the mind, body, and intellect which further develops into skills and knowledge.

Indian School Salalah aims to develop skills rather than string knowledge in students' minds. It aims to integrate education with practical aspects. We believe progress and development can be obtained by working experientially, not just by reading books or passing one exam after another. We aim to mix education with skill development, experimentation, field trips, practical work, projects, research work and hands-on training which when introduced at an early age achieves the objectives of education.

The months of October and November were illustratively packed with a plethora of events.

#### Highlights

Celebrations

**Clubs** activities

Career guidance sessions

Achievements

Launching School Communication app

Outdoor activities

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Celebrating events and festivals in schools have become an integral part of learning and building a strong cultural belief in a child. Indian School Salalah encourages its students to embrace other traditions and culture just like the way they do with their own.

Children will remember an important day only if they are told what the occasion signifies, making them aware of the world in a more fun filled way. The events and festivals organized at Indian School Salalah are often celebrated with great pomp and gaiety. Apart from classroom activities, we also pay heed to the National festivals which must be celebrated in order to understand our motherland's as well as the foster country's rich and varied traditions.

Such celebration will bring students closer to traditional and cultural values. A close bond is built between the students as they understand each other's different customs. Being a multi cultural school, the students need to know what each festival means, and it is only through these celebration that they will get to know more about our country. Apart from building relationship and friendship, such celebration will bring happiness and love amongst the students.

#### GANDHI JAYANTI

"Peace is the most powerful weapon of mankind. It takes more courage to take a blow than to give one." - Mahatma Gandhi.



Students from KG through 12<sup>th</sup> put up dances, skits and sang patriotic songs to mark the birth anniversary of the messiah of peace.

#### **U.N. DAY CELEBRATION**



Indian School Salalah celebrated the United Nations Day on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019, to commemorate its 74<sup>th</sup> anniversary. On this occasion a mock UN General assembly was enacted which discussed international issues.

> NATIONAL UNITY DAY CELEBRATION- AT A GLANCE

The birth anniversary of the great leader Sardar

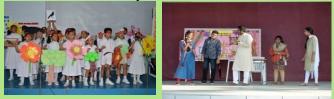
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Vallabhai Patel, which falls on 31<sup>st</sup> October, was observed as National Unity Day to honour his statesmanship and contributions in unifying the young India.



HINDI DIWAS CELEBRATIONS-AT A GLANCE

Hindi Diwas is celebrated on the 14th of September, to commemorate the adaptation of Hindi written in Devanagari script as one of the two official languages of the Republic of India by the Constituent Assembly of India.



Indian School Salalah, celebrated Hindi Diwas by organizing the event with lots of literary and recreational activities. Some of the highlights of this day were Nukad Natak, Hindi poem recitation, singing songs and news reading. Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, the President (acting) of the School Management Committee, released the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Hindi Magazine which highlights the writing skill and creativity of the children.

#### WORLD STUDENT'S DAY

The Science Department of the School organized World Student's Day on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019, in



commemoration of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's birth anniversary.

**KERALA FORMATION DAY** 



Under the guidance of the Malayalam Department, the students of class IX and X organized the Kerala Piravi(Kerala Formation Day) on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. The students performed various folk dances and songs of Kerala.

## CELEBRATING YOUNG READER'S DAY AND KINDNESS DAY

It's well said that a reader lives thousand lives before he dies. The enthusiastic young students of the Primary wing of the school observed the day by sharing and reading books. In a similar way, they celebrated 'Kindness Day' too.

## CHILDRENS' DAY CELEBRATION: CELEBRATING THEIR DAY!

It is one of the much awaited events in the school calendar. Many activities were organized for children and they enjoyed being pampered by their teachers. In order to show their love for Chacha Nehru, students performed dances and songs.



Teachers reciprocated their love and affection for their students by performing dances and songs for them. On this occasion, English Creative Writing Competition was conducted for the Middle and the Senior sections. The Kindergarten and Primary students had plenty of activities to indulge in.

# 49<sup>TH</sup> GLORIOUS NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION



Indian School Salalah expressed its loyalty to His Majesty Sultan Qaboos Bin Said and the Sultanate on the occasion of the 49th National Day, on 18th November 2019. The glorious day was celebrated in a befitting manner The entire school premise was decorated. To familiarize the students with the rich culture, tradition and history of Oman folk songs and dances were put up.

#### THE CONSTITUTION DAY OF INDIA



existence The and successful survival of 'Democracy 'in such diverse conditions is the most celebrated fact about India. and its constitution is its backbone. To reinforce the significance and importance of the constitution, the government of India declared 26th of November as the Constitution Day.

The occasion was celebrated in the premises of Indian School Salalah in all its solemnity.

## WORLD HANDWASH DAY AT ISS



'Cleanliness is next to Godliness.'

The teachers took up the task of driving the thought deep into young minds that the effect of washing hands could keep them safe always.

## IT'S TIME TO SAVE MONEY!

'A penny saved is a penny earned'

On the sides of the World Savings Day, Indian School Salalah organized a piggy bank making activity for the students of classes  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$  while the kids of classes  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  made it with used boxes.

#### **CAREER GUIDANCE AND INTERACTIVE SESSIONS**

In today's competitive world, it has really become difficult to select the right kind of career which not only suits the student's skill sets but also allows them to excel in their profile. The situation gets worsen with the lack of opportunities and right direction. In all such circumstances, the role of career guidance plays an important role.

Career guidance helps students to select the right kind of job oriented courses which will help them to take their career in the right direction. Career guidance is provided for the occupation or profession that goes well with their capabilities, skills and interests.



The second edition of 'Avenir' was held on October 10, 2019 at Indian School Al Seeb, Muscat. "Avenir" which means "the future" in French, is a new initiative by the BOD of Indian Schools in Oman to provide a platform for guiding students of classes IX to XII in choosing their career and in taking steps to reach their goal. 82 students (28 girls and 55 boys) from Indian school Salalah took part in Avenir 2019.

#### CAREER TALK WITH PROF. DR. L.S. GANESH

An interactive personality development and Career guidance session held at Indian School Salalah on 9th Nov. 2019 in the school ground with Prof. Dr.L.S.Ganesh, Former Dean, IIT, Chennai.



The fine Arts Club was inaugurated on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. As part of the inaugural activity, a visual treat was put up in the quadrangle, in the form of a 20 metres



canvas, where around 75 students of the newly

formed club participated in a live painting event, based on the theme, 'Gandhiji and his life.'



MATHS CLUB DAY

The Mathematics Club conducted the maths activities such as quiz and different types of puzzles for classes 5 to 8 on 5th October.



The first Science club activity for the academic year was organized on 12 October 2019.



On 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019, 11 student members of the astronomy club along with five teachers went to Zeek to observe the night sky between 9.30 and 11.30 pm. The team was led by Mr. Deepak Patankar, Principal Indian School Salalah, Vice Principal, Assistant Vice Principal and Teachers.

The objective of the trip was to view the Orionid meteor showers as per the celestial predictions.

#### **BAAL PATRIKA 2019 - 2020**





Releasing the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Hindi School Magazine.

#### LEARNING THE ALPHABETS OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Entrepreneurship Club of the school organized a tuck- shop during the Cluster football tournaments and the CCA competitions.



'Eat healthy, stay healthy.'

## **CAMPING ACTIVITIES**

For kids, time spent camping is time spent learning, which is one of the reasons why scouting and IAYP programmes are so valuable. These activities help children to gradually become more independent and confident in their own capabilities.



**ANNUAL SCOUTS& GUIDES CAMP** 



The Duke of Edinburgh's IAYP unit of the school organized a Practice Journey Camp from on 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of October. Soft skill training, sky watching, entertainment programmes and trekking were part of the camp. The event was marked by the Gold, Silver and Bronze award ceremony.

# COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS

In order to provide real time information and to be in touch with the stake holders of the school, especially the parental community, the school launched its first ever communication app and the revamped school website with a new outlook during the annual athletic meet, on 8th November, 2019. The launching of the revamped school website was done by Mr. Mohammed Yousuf Ismail, member SMC accompanied by Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, while the communication app 'Zoment' was launched by Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, President of the school management committee.

## **CELEBRATING VICTORIES**

The months of October and November witnessed many success stories in fields such as literature, fine arts and sports. The students of Indian School Salalah once again proved that nothing can chain them from chasing their dreams.

#### ACCOLADES IN

#### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Master Abhinav Sunil and Niladri Bhowmick from class VIII won the second runner up title and the senior team finished fourth in the coveted Times of BEING AT THE TOP - TIMES OF OMAN QUIZ



Oman Quiz. In all, 54 schools with over 120 teams took part in the Mega prelims.

#### AMBASSADOR'S TROPHY FOR POLEMIC CHALLENGE



Sneha of XII and Mansi Gururani of XI won the Coveted Ambassador's trophy in the Polemic Challenge Inter school debate organized by BOD in Muscat.

## **CARING FOR THE NATURE**

Indian school Salalah won the first prize in the Eco house project organized by the Community Service and Continuing Education Center (CSCEC), in collaboration with College of Engineering, University of Dhofar, on the occasion of Arab Environment Day.



Hat-trick First Runner up position in a row for Indian School Salalah in the Indian School Talent Fest (Inter School Competition) conducted by the BOD, Indian Schools, in Muscat.

The school took part in all the 28 events, conducted at the Fest, competing against almost



'Hard-work always pays off its dividends!'

1,800 students. A unique Talent show comprising of 71students, was also included this year along with the Talent Fest, Mast. Siddarth of UKG bagged the second position.



'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.'

## AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

#### KHO-KHO

Indian School Salalah U-19 girls kho- kho team, representing the Oman Cluster, took part in the CBSE National championship.

#### **ATHLETICS**

Master Joseph Vivek Basil and Miss. Cheryl Johanna Meeran represented Oman Cluster Athletic contingent in the 24th CBSE National Athletic Meet-2019 held in Indian from 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. In under-17,Vivek Joseph

participated in 100 mts. and Triple Jump whereas Cheryl competed in Long Jump and Triple Jump, in the under- 19 yrs (girls category).



## AT OMAN CLUSTER LEVEL

## **ATHLETICS**

They toiled, they sacrificed and they took pain in bringing laurels for the school. Our athletic team bagged the runners up trophy in the CBSE Oman cluster athletic meet-2019 held at Oman ISM. Our girls under-19 and boys under -17 got over all runners up in their respective categories.

#### VOLLEYBALL

The Under-17 Boy's team of our school displayed their zeal for the game of volleyball and bagged the Runners up trophy while the Under-19 boy's team secured 5th position.

## I.S. SALALAH HOSTS CBSE CLUSTER FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Indian School Salalah played host for a second time for the prestigious Oman CBSE Cluster Level Football tournament. There were eight teams in the under 17 category and the six in the under 19 category in fray. In the knock out matches were held on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October.

## INTRA SCHOOL EVENTS -AT A GLANCE-

**INTER HOUSE BADMINTON COMPETITION** The Inter house Badminton Competition was organized from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> October in the school premises.

#### INTER HOUSE BASKETBALL COMPETITION

The Inter House Basketball Competition was conducted on 18th& 19<sup>th</sup> of November.



# ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET

The opening ceremony of the Annual Athletic meet had a grand start with great zeal and zest, on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019. It was concluded on 8<sup>th</sup> November.



INTER HOUSE KHO KHO COMPETITION(BOYS JR.) The Inter- House Boys Kho - Kho competition in the junior category was conducted on 21st Nov.

# **PHOTO GALLERY**











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